

## WILL NOT BUY IT.

It is Said the Billet Combine will not Purchase the

### AETNA-STANDARD'S BIG PLANT

But will Content Itself with the Acquisition of a Considerable Minority Holding of the Stock, and thus be Assured of a Supply of Tin-plate Bars for Tin Mills in this Vicinity.

Many rumors are current as to the plan that will be followed in bringing the Aetna-Standard iron and steel works into the control of or in sympathy with the big billet combine now being formed by Moore Brothers, who brought about the consolidation of the tin-plate mills recently and cleared a cool \$2,000,000 on the transaction.

The Intelligence stated two days ago that it had information from an excellent source to the effect that the Aetna-Standard would not be purchased outright by the billet combine (an offshoot of the tin-plate combine), but that the combine was endeavoring to acquire a considerable holding of the Aetna-Standard stock. This received further confirmation yesterday afternoon, and it is not believed that the big plant over the river will pass out of the hands of the present owners. It is possible the combine will acquire a controlling interest in the Aetna-Standard, but it is not probable it will secure so much as that. What the combine desires is the assurance that the tin mills will get a supply of tin plate bars at all times, and when the combine becomes the holder of a considerable minority holding of stock this assurance will be realized.

Already the combine indirectly has a large interest in the Aetna-Standard, through Vice President W. T. Graham, of the tin-plate combine.

#### BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and About the City Given in a Nutshell.

Criminal court will be in session today.

Grand to-night—Saddle Raymond in "The Missouri Girl."

The council committee on committees meets this evening to select the several standing committees of council.

A daughter of Officer William Knabe, of the Third ward, was reported very ill last night, with slight chances of her recovery.

This afternoon at the Fourth Street M. E. church, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet. The reports of the superintendent and other officers will be received.

Yesterday, in the criminal court, John Moore, charged with theft, was dismissed. Fred Rembaum entered a plea of guilty on the charge of theft, and was sentenced by Judge Huges to seven months in jail.

Yesterday morning, Thomas Jackson, who was tried in the criminal court and found not guilty of criminal assault on a little girl, was released from custody. Jackson was defended by Messrs. Schuck and Dryden.

John Mulholland was incarcerated in jail for a period of thirty days yesterday, by order of Judge Fitzpatrick. He was found guilty of "swindling" a drummer's grip Monday evening. He had then been out of jail only a day, having completed a thirty-day sentence, also for theft.

The county board of commissioners met yesterday in monthly auditing session. In addition to passing on bills, the board elected John A. Barr a constable in Triadelphia district to fill a vacancy. At the last election Mr. Barr was defeated on a margin of only five votes.

In the circuit court, in the case of the Exchange bank vs. Samuel Porter and Samuel Porter, Jr., there was judgment against the defendant for \$28 75, with interest from January 20. The case of Edward Placius vs. Christian Kallbitzer was put on trial, but was postponed until today.

The "American Boy" battleship pushers met in the police court room last night to consider ways and means of keeping up the organization. Quite a number was present. It was decided to order uniforms for the contemplated cadet corps, and a letter from W. H. Hankin, of Cincinnati, describing the style of uniform, was read.

#### Death of Dr. Huston.

Dr. Huston died at 1 o'clock this morning, of cancer of the stomach, at the family residence in Beloit. His death had been hourly expected for days past. A wife and three children survive him and the sympathy of the community is tendered to them in their affliction.

#### MONTHLY OIL REVIEW.

Says the Oil City Derrick, in its review of oil for January:

There was a general falling off in new operations during the first month of the new year, while wells completed and production both showed decided gains. The tremendous activity in field work seems to have reached its climax in December. In Ohio and Indiana November proved the banner month in this particular. The gain in new production is largely from the districts of West Virginia and southeastern Ohio. In the older sections of the region there is a noticeable disposition to check the work of the drills this is particularly apparent in the Bradford and middle fields. The Allegheny field, in New York state, completed more wells in January than in December, and shows a slight increase in active operations.

The new Berea grit development near Seio, in Harrison county, Ohio, proved the center of attraction during the month. A large area of profitable territory has been brought to light and producers are moving ahead with a confidence and energy that has been seldom witnessed since the beginning of the Bradford and Allegheny fields. The Seio field contains nearly fifty producing wells, with a daily yield of close upon two thousand barrels. At the close of the month there were over a hundred rigs and drilling wells under way in this district alone.

A number of road-sized, deep-sand wells were struck during the month and there is a large amount of this sort of territory still remaining within the interior of West Virginia. It is costly to operate and its development is necessarily slow. A pool like Seio can be drilled over and the greater amount of new production exhausted within a few months, while the production of the deep-sand areas of West Virginia will prove the work of years.

In spite of the prominence recently gained by the fields of southeastern Ohio, the districts of the southwest continue to supply the greater bulk of the new production and new operations. More wells were completed in the southwest in January than in December and there was a considerable increase in the production, but field operations show a decline. For the month of January, 6,541 barrels of the total of new production came from 182 wells in the southwest, leaving but 5,141 barrels to be supplied by 261 wells scattered

throughout the country from Allegheny, in New York, to Corning, in southeastern Ohio. Fifty-four productive wells in the Seio and adjoining sections are credited with 2,190 barrels production, so that 200 new wells drilled last month averaged less than four and a half barrels apiece.

During December 175 producing wells of the southwest supplied 6,039 barrels of the new production, leaving but 2,760 barrels to come from the remaining 245 paying wells completed during the month. Thus, while the southwest wells averaged nearly 5 barrels each, all the other new wells in the region averaged a little over 11 barrels each. Manington's new wells averaged 82 barrels each for December, while those of the southeastern Ohio averaged about 25 barrels each. For November the figures show that the southwest was credited with 6,732 barrels production from 152 producing wells, while all other portions of the eastern oil fields completed 256 productive wells, whose total output was but 2,180 barrels. In October the Southwest, with 159 productive wells, had 5,765 barrels new production, while the remaining 254 wells completed in the other sections of the producing regions were making less than 2,000 barrels a day at the close of the month.

The net results of the drill for the past month in the eastern and western oil fields are 925 wells completed, 16,452 barrels new production and 182 dry holes. A falling off of 16 completed wells is attended with a gain of 1,433 barrels production. There was a loss of 10 dry holes from the report of the preceding month. There were 911 wells completed in December, in the fields producing Pennsylvania and Lima oil, and while 182 were devoid of oil in paying quantities the output of the remainder summed up 15,019 barrels. Compared with November, there was an increase of two wells completed and a decline of 1,594 barrels in production. In November 943 wells were completed in the eastern and western oil fields, including 183 which were unproductive, but the new production was 16,613 barrels. The October report showed 617 wells completed, including 153 dry holes; while the new production was 15,262 barrels.

#### AMUSEMENTS.

"The Charlatan," which is to be presented at the Opera House, Saturday evening, February 4, by De Wolf Hopper and his capable company, is a story of Russian origin. Maybe you wonder what sort of Russian music Sousa can write. Hear it and you will be pleased and astonished. You will also marvel at the happy combination of capability which brought Mr. Sousa and Mr. Klein together as Mr. De Koven and Mr. Smith came together after Mr. Rice and Mr. Goodwin made their great hit, or as Gilbert and Sullivan became world celebrated. Light operas, comies, the burlesque, the travesty, belong to a distinct type of compositions; while you would not imagine to see Sousa directing his band, that his grave face concealed an atom of fun and humor, a more susceptible man to the humors of life does not live than John Philip Sousa. Those he has portrayed in his store just as effectively as Mr. Klein has embodied in his libretto, with the result that "The Charlatan" is an unequivocal success. You will be much astonished also at the people Mr. Hopper has engaged. Besides Nella Bergen, Alcega, Alfred Klein, Arthur Cunningham, you will find it difficult to resist the casting of George W. Barnum and Mark Price, two performers well known to straight comedy and tragedy, until you see the piece and realize the potency of their presence. Then you will realize the ending of an opera has more to do with its success than a casual contemplation warrants.

#### "THE MISSOURI GIRL."

At the Grand Opera House, for three nights, beginning this evening, and matinee on Saturday, Miss Sadie Raymond, assisted by a good company, will present "The Missouri Girl," which has made a pronounced hit in other cities where it has been seen. Mr. Fred Raymond, the popular comedian, will contribute some of his peculiar original specialties during the performance.

#### "THE LATE MR. EARLY."

Miss Belle Black, the leading lady of "The Late Mr. Early" company, which is to play an engagement at the Opera House, next Wednesday, is one of those fortunate artists whose lines have always been cast in pleasant places. Almost immediately after her debut on the stage, Miss Black was chosen to create the leading role in "A Trip to Chinatown," a production in which her personal success was so marked that immediately after the long metropolitan run of the play, she found herself in great demand for New York productions. To this line of work she has for the last seven or eight seasons devoted her talents almost exclusively and has created in that space of time many famous roles. It is said that only through the fact that "The Late Mr. Early" is to play but very few one-night stands this season, that Miss Black was prevailed upon to join the organization. Great personal beauty and charm of manner are said to be not the smallest of her many gifts.

#### MATHEWS AND BULGER.

One of the most important attractions in the comedy line will be Mathews and Bulger, who will be seen in their new comedy, "By the Sea Side Waves," on Tuesday, February 7th, at the Opera House. Manager Kleiser is to be congratulated in securing this desirable attraction. Mathews and Bulger are real funny fellows, while their play is said to be the best they ever had. Their support is unusually strong and the production should easily claim for it one of the most, if not the most, ambitious offerings of the season in farcical comedy. While their last season's play of "At Gay Coney Island," was a hit in every way, it is said that "By the Sea Side Waves" is far in advance of it.

#### THE PLAYERS.

The attraction at the Opera House to-morrow night will be the Players in Sydney Grundy's great comedy, "Hare and Hounds." Very few companies would care to pay the very large author's royalty for the production of Sydney Grundy's "Hare and Hounds," one of the very best of this excellent playwright's works.

The last performance of the Players having been so well patronized by the culture and beauty of the city, they wish to show their appreciation by giving the very best that money can provide for the enjoyment of their patrons, and needles to say, with the splendid cast and the author's own prompt book, the play will be an artistic success.

At the last performance given in this city by this clever organization, there was gathered together one of the most brilliant audiences ever seen in the theatre, and the beautiful ladies, excited by the acts, to the artists, gave, as the splendid performance, did when the curtain was up. An most of these people are subscribers to the series of performances, this scene will be duplicated. Society and fashion are always in evidence at a performance of the Players. Seats went on sale yesterday morning at House's, and a rush resulted.

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#### PREDICTED HIS DEATH.

The Passing of a Prominent Minister in the Methodist Church.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Rev. George H. Simons of Brooklyn, predicted his own death, which occurred yesterday at midnight of pneumonia. Last December, during a heavy snow storm, he visited a sick child, and caught a chill. Since then he has been ailing and yesterday was quite feeble, but was not apparently in any immediate danger. To his wife, however, who was sitting in the same room, he said, for no apparent reason:

"My dear, I do not believe that I will live after midnight."

Dr. Simons, who was pastor of the Wyckoff Street M. E. church, with his one arm and with his impressive bearing had been an impressive figure in Brooklyn for a long time. An interest contributed to by the fact of his unusual life. He was born in Batavia fifty-nine years ago. When sixteen years of age he took to the sea. At twenty-seven years of age he was wrecked off the Cape of Good Hope. After being saved he announced that he had a summons from God to follow the church in the capacity of a preacher. He was brought to this country and drifted to Ohio, where he worked and at the same time studied theology. Later he was ordained in the M. E. church and was pastor of a church at Santa Rosa, California, from which place he came to Brooklyn.

#### Dazed Sharkey.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Eighteen hundred people witnessed the six round bout between Tommy Ryan and Tom Sharkey before the Monarch athletic club to-night. The event was purely an exhibition in which the Syracuse clearly demonstrated that he was far the superior of his antagonist as a boxer, landing freely. Sharkey was somewhat dazed at the showing and frequently laid himself open. No damage was done by either man.

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#### LEGISLATORS GET GAY

In Casting Their Ballots in Pennsylvania Senatorship Contest.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 1.—The thirteenth joint ballot for United States senator was taken to-day, with thirteen absentees, and Senator Quay is thirteen votes short of the number to elect. One more than thirteen candidates were voted for, and 133 votes were cast against Mr. Quay. Of the absentees without pairs one is a Quay Republican and the other a Democrat. The only change from the vote of yesterday was that of Representative Norton, who changed from C. W. Stone to Colonel Irvin. The ballot was as follows:

Quay, 108; Jenks, 92; Dalzell, 15; Stewart, 7; Huff, 6; Irvin, 5; Tubbs, 2; Rice, 2; Grow, 1; Markle, 2; Widener, 2; Ritter, 2; Smith, 1. Total, 241. Noes, 2; aye, 121; no election, 8; absent without pairs, 2. No election.

The best of good feeling prevailed among the friends of the various candidates and at times furnished much amusement to the spectators. The Quay legislators started in by voting for "Comrade Quay." Mr. McCandless voted for "Statesman" Dalzell, and Mr. Spatz created a ripple of laughter by voting for "Captain Jenks." Mr. Fox voted for "Friend Jenks," and Senator Washburn for "The Honest George A. Jenks." Mr. Smith, of Tioga, voted for Charles Tubbs, "the man who never shook a plum tree," and Mr. Alexander cast his ballot for "Comrade" Colonel Irvin. Mr. Hargrave, who served as a private in the Tenth regiment at the battle of Malat, voted for "Comrade" George F. Huff. Chairman Charles H. Jones, of the state prohibition committee, and Colonel James M. Guffey, of Pittsburgh, members of the national Democratic committee, were among the spectators on the floor of the house during the balloting.

#### Taking an Attitude of Criticism.

HAYANA, Feb. 1.—A movement has been started by Senor Castillo, Senor Jose Antonio Gonzalez Lunazo, head of the department of justice and public instruction in the Cuban cabinet of advisers, and Senor Jose Miguel Gomez, of the Cuban committee, and others to have all the 134 municipal districts of Cuba petition the authorities at Washington to pay the Cuban army out of the customs receipts, adding ten per cent. if necessary to the duties in order to do so. The Cubans are taking a general attitude of criticism and complaint against the Americans. They say all the Spanish officeholders ought to be discharged and that the methods of administration should be changed. The telegraph wires to Remedios are working badly, so there is no news from President McKinley's special commissioner, Robert P. Porter, who has gone on a mission to General Maximo Gomez.

#### An Unparalleled Record.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—An idea of the volume of business now transacted in Wall street is given by the stock exchange transactions for the month of January, 1899, and the changes compared with last year, which are: Stock shares, 24,296,765; increase, 14,889,983. Governments, 1,695,060; increase, 1,214,160. State and railroad bonds, \$142,344,400; increase, \$48,237,700. As there were twenty-five days of business, the average daily stock sales of January were nearly 900,000 shares of stock and \$3,665,700 of bonds. This degree of activity, extending over so long a period, is unprecedented. Every stock record for day, week and month has been beaten in the time under review. Naturally the bank clearing house transactions have also been on an unparalleled scale, for the activity of speculation has swelled the business of the banks.

#### Ordered Mustered Out.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The war department to-day issued an order to muster out about 15,000 volunteer troops. The regiments are: First Maryland, now at Augusta, Ga.; Third Mississippi and Second Missouri, at Albany, Ga.; Eighth and Thirteenth Pennsylvania, at Augusta, Ga.; Fourteenth Pennsylvania, at Savannah, S. C.; Fourth Texas, at San Antonio, Texas; Fourth Wisconsin, at Anniston, Ala.; Seventh volunteer infantry, at Macon, Ga.; Eighth volunteer infantry, at Chickamauga; Tenth volunteer infantry, at Macon, Ga.

#### Army Appropriation Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Following the passage of the Hull army bill in the house yesterday Chairman Hull has informed his associates on the military committee that the army appropriation bill will be taken up next Monday. The army appropriation bill will be framed on the basis of 100,000 men, and Mr. Hull estimates that it will carry about \$30,000,000. The war department submitted to Congress at the opening of the session a estimate based on an army of 150,000 men at a cost of \$14,000,000, but since then the forces have been largely reduced.

#### Why Leadley is Missing.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 1.—Investigation of the books of Robert Leadley, late chief clerk of the police justices' courts, resulted to-day in showing a shortage of \$10,168. Leadley is widely known in base ball circles, having once been manager of the Cleveland National league team, and secretary and manager of the Detroit when in the National league. He was later part owner of the Grand Rapids Western league club. His term as police court clerk expired several months ago. The judge who had the appointing allowed him to hold over without reappointing him, and his bondsman, therefore, are not considered liable. Leadley has been missing several days.

#### Tragedies at a Fire.

SEARS, Mich., Feb. 1.—Fire last midnight destroyed the home of Thomas Lowden, seven miles north of here. After rescuing his wife and four children Mr. Lowden re-entered the dwelling for his five-year-old boy, who was sleeping up stairs. The father became overcome and both perished in the flames. Mr. Lowden, leaving three of her children in the barn, walked barefooted and in her night robe, with her baby in one arm, to the nearest neighbor's house, a half mile distant.

#### President Needs Rest.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Secretary Porter said to-day that President McKinley is tired and worn as a result of the hard work devolved upon him by the war and its subsequent development, but it was untrue that he was in any danger of breaking down. His health is fairly good and all he needed was a little rest, Mr. Porter added.

#### Washington's New Senator.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 1.—The joint assembly to-day elected Addison G. Foster, of Tacoma, United States senator in accordance with the Republican caucus held last night. Foster received eighty-one votes on the final ballot.

#### SUPREME COURT.

Many Rehearings Refused and Others Allowed—Cases Submitted.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 1.—The supreme court adjourned to-day until Saturday, after transacting the following business: Orrie vs. Ridgeway, from Tucker county, appeal allowed, bond \$200.

Rehearings were refused in the following cases: Glibney vs. Fitzsimmons, from Ohio county; State vs. Spangole, from Randolph county; Hebb vs. county court, from Tucker county; Kyle vs. Wagoner, from Ohio county; Wetherell vs. Elliott, from Braxton county; Shank vs. Graft, from Grant county.

Rehearings were allowed in the following cases: Atkinson vs. Winter, from Marshall county; Connelly & Johnson vs. Brunt, from Tyler county; Jennings vs. Moore, from Tyler county. Motion to correct costs were overruled in the case of Archibald vs. McGraw, from Pocahontas county, and Lehman, Richmond & Co. vs. Hinton, from Summers county.

A motion to correct decree was sustained in the case of Cecil and Hall vs. Clark, from Summers county, in so far as to direct the clerk not to tax as part of the costs heretofore adjudged against the appellants the costs of copying or printing that portion of the record brought into the court on certiorari by J. H. Tarbett and wife.

The following cases were submitted to the court: Welty vs. county court, from Barbour county; Crim vs. Price, from Barbour county; Kennedy vs. Davison, from Barbour county; Wilson vs. Carrio, from Tucker county; Wilt vs. Huffman, from Tucker county; Cleveland vs. England, from Barbour county; Cleveland vs. Bohrbough, from Barbour county; Woods vs. Douglass, from Barbour county; town of Parsons vs. Miller, from Barbour county.

#### Pottery Combine Complete.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The consolidation of all the large potteries in the east was consummated here to-day. This was brought about chiefly through the Maddocks Company, of Trenton, N. J., making favorable arrangements with the leading interests in the newly formed American Pottery Company. That company will now have a capitalization of \$40,000,000. Equal amounts of common and seven per cent. cumulative preferred stock will be issued, of which \$1,000,000 preferred and \$3,000,000 common will remain in the treasury, together with \$1,500,000 cash for working capital and \$4,000,000 of quick assets. The output of the plants in 1898 which

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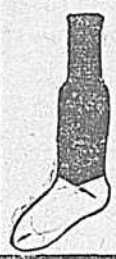
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composed the combination was \$5,500,000, with profits estimated at \$1,500,000. The plan is to be underwritten and subscriptions have been received from banking interests and individuals connected with the combination.

#### Eighth Attempt Successful.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—During the last three years Amelia Lutz, of this city, has repeatedly attempted to commit suicide by hanging herself. Each time her husband has cut the rope and rescued her, but to-day she made the eighth attempt and succeeded in ending her life. Lutz is a contractor and at one time was wealthy. During the world's fair, however, he lost his fortune, and brooding over this fact unbalanced the woman's mind.

#### Dinner to Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—President and Mrs. McKinley gave a dinner at the white house to-night in honor of the United States supreme court, a large number of guests being invited to meet them. Elaborate floral decorations beautified the east room and the long corridor, where the table was spread, the center piece of which consisted of a bed of delicate allium tuncerum ferns in which rested handsome orchids and cattleya flowers.

#### Was a Writer of Hymns.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The Rev. Charles Seymour Robinson died at his home in this city this morning. Dr. Robinson was a Presbyterian divine, well known as a writer of hymns and books. For some years he had not been connected with any pastorate.

#### Requires one Year Now.

BISMARCK, N. D., Feb. 1.—The house this afternoon passed the bill requiring a residence of one year before a divorce can be secured. It had previously passed the senate and will be approved by the governor.

#### THE RIVER.

The Queen City passes down this morning for Cincinnati with a big Mardi Gras excursion. With the passing of the Queen City navigation suspends entirely on the upper Ohio river. The river was still open here last night, with 5 feet 9 inches on the marks. The ice was moving very slow, but on account of the closing of the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers there is not so much ice passing down now.

#### Along the Landing.

The new steamer City of Pittsburgh has a bar, but no intoxicating liquors will be sold.

Captain Ira Huntington is in charge of the steamer Kanawha, having relieved Captain T. T. Johnston.

Captain